



August Frederick Biehle, Sr. stencil collection1111.111

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Summary Information

Repository:	Cleveland Museum of Art Archives
Creator:	Biehle, August Frederick, Sr. (1854-1918)
Title:	August Frederick Biehle, Sr. stencil collection
ID:	1111.111
Date [inclusive]:	about 1874-1918
Physical Description:	2.0 Linear feet Items are foldered and stored in oversize drawer
Language of the Material:	English .

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Biographical/Historical note

August Frederick Biehle, Sr. was born in Freiberg, Baden, in 1854. His father supported the family by creating costume jewelry. He died when August was only four. Following school August apprenticed to a painter and attended trade school where he focused primarily on drawing. Following three years of military service he emigrated to America in 1880. Settling in Cleveland he worked as a designer and painter for the Cooks Brothers Company for sixteen years before founding his own firm and contracting for work with the firm of Louis Rohreimer (later Rorimer and Brooks). His work as a designer was well known and could be found in the mansions of many prominent Clevelanders, churches, and public buildings in northeastern Ohio. Of his five children August F. Biehle, Jr. achieved distinction as an artist in his own right, exhibiting his paintings at galleries including the Kokoon Arts Club, and in the Cleveland Museum of Art's May Show, where he was a frequent prize winner.

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Scope and Contents note

These stencils were probably used by Biehle in the decoration of homes of Cleveland's elite in the late nineteenth century.

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Conditions Governing Access note

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Immediate Source of Acquisition note

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Controlled Access Headings

- Interior decoration -- Ohio -- Cleveland.
- Interior decorators -- Ohio -- Cleveland.

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances
Stencil Cutout with Color Key, about 1874-1918	Folder 1

General Physical Description note: Two-colored paper stencil cutout, design for border trim, square diamond shapes with oval center, four cutouts keying second color; pencil lines top and bottom for register marks; brush marks on paper indicating brush technique; cutout area is on right side with color key on left; unsigned.

Scarab Stencil, about 1874-1918	Folder 4
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General Physical Description note: Paper stencil with scarab pattern.

Stencil Cutout with Floral Pattern, about 1874-1918	Folder 4
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General Physical Description note: Paper stencil with floral pattern, group of five cherries in center surrounded by flowing leaf shapes; penciled color notations on various areas.

Stencil with Renaissance Pattern, about 1887-1918	Folder 1
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General Physical Description note: Paper stencil cutout, Renaissance-style repeat pattern; twisting branch flowing from right to left; paper in poor condition and brittle.

Stencil with Celtic Motif, about 1874-1918	Folder 3
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General Physical Description note: paper stencil with Celtic motif.

Stencil with Rope Design, about 1874-1918	Folder 1
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General Physical Description note: Paper stencil with rope design.

Stencil with Art-Nouveau Design, about 1874-1918	Folder 2
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General Physical Description note: Painted design shows an elaborate Art Nouveau vine design in green and red; the design is underscored by a broken line; the initials "AB" are stencilled at right.

Stencil with Maple Leaf Design, about 1874-1918	Folder 3
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General Physical Description note: Paper stencil shows four maple leaves between a rail design; areas around cutouts are painted brown.

Art Nouveau style Stenciled Textile, about 1874-1918	Folder 5
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Stencil, about 1900-1918	Folder 7
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Renaissance style Stencil, about 1874-1918	Folder 5
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Stencil, about 1900-1918	Folder 7
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Stencil, about 1900-1918	Folder 7
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Art Nouveau style Stencil, about 1874-1918	Folder 5
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One of Three Piece Cartoon Set-Cut Out Unit, about 1874-1918	Folder 6
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One of Three Piece Cartoon Set-Dot Unit, about 1874-1918	Folder 6
One of Three Piece Cartoon Set-Paint Test Color Piece, about 1874-1918	Folder 6
Renaissance style Stencil, about 1874-1918	Folder 5
Art Nouveau styl Stencil, about 1874-1918	Folder 5
Stencil, about 1900-1918	Folder 7
Stencil Process Kit-First Stage, about 1890-1918	Folder 7
Stencil Process Kit-Second Stage, about 1890-1918	Folder 7
Stencil Process Kit-Third Stage, about 1890-1918	Folder 7
Stencil Process Kit-Fourth Stage, about 1890-1918	Folder 7
Stencil Process Kit-Fifth Stage, about 1890-1918	Folder 7
Stencil Process Kit-Sixth Stage, about 1890-1918	Folder 7